

MORGAN CALLED TO MONEY TRUST GRILL

Moving Picture Law Starts Row Among the Aldermen.

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MORGAN OFF TO TESTIFY AT MONEY TRUST INQUIRY; TAKES STAND TO-MORROW

Magnate Summoned to Washington Leaves in Special Train With Son and Lawyers.

FLOW OF MONEY HERE.

Probers Told How "Country"

Banks Rush In Millions When Loan Rates Are High.

In response to the subpoenas of the Pujo Money Trust Investigating Committee of the House of Representatives, J. P. Morgan, his son, J. P. Morgan Jr., and Thomas W. Lamont of the Morgan banking firm, together with their counsel, Joseph H. Choate and Richard V. Lindabury, started for Washington this afternoon to testify before the committee to-morrow. The party, including the private secretaries of the bankers and the stenographers and several clerks, made the journey in a special train.

For the past three weeks the elder Morgan has not been visiting his office in Wall street, and for a good part of that time he was confined to his home by a heavy cold. During that period he attended to such business matters as were urgent in his library adjoining the Morgan mansion at No. 219 Madison avenue.

To-morrow will be known as Bankers' Day before the Pujo Investigating Committee, owing to the fact that the testimony of Mr. Morgan and his son and other bankers will then be taken.

FLOW OF MONEY HERE FROM "COUNTRY" BANKS DRAWN BY HIGH RATES.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—The attraction of money from small banks throughout the country to New York City when the market shows a high rate for loans was taken up to-day by the House Money Trust Investigating Committee. J. B. Niven, an accountant for the committee, presented a mass of statistics showing the amount of money New York City banks and trust companies and the amount of money loaned on stock market securities in New York for these country correspondents.

Mr. Niven's figures showed 19,016 accounts for country banks in New York institutions. He explained that because the banks would not furnish to him the names of their country correspondents some of the accounts might be duplicated in cases where country banks maintained accounts with more than one New York bank.

In the thirty-two banks, Mr. Niven said, on Nov. 1, country banks had on deposit \$483,000,000, and in addition had loaned on New York Stock Exchange securities \$240,440,000. At that time, he said, the money market was high. On July 1, with money easy, he said the country banks had only \$141,028,000 out in New York.

Before Mr. Niven took the stand Frederick Lewisohn appeared and answered certain questions which yesterday he declined to answer in connection

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MRS. REID ACCEPTS OFFER OF WARSHIP TO CONVEY HUSBAND'S BODY.

Arrangements Will Be Completed by London and Washington—Wreath From Queen Mother.

LONDON, Dec. 17.—Mrs. Whiteley Reid has decided to accept the offer by the British Government of a British warship to convey the body of her late husband to the United States. The arrangements will be completed between the British Foreign Office and the State Department.

Among the first wreaths to reach Dorchester House was one from Queen Mother Alexandra.

Hundred of applications have been received already from prominent persons for seats in Westminster Abbey for the memorial service for the late Ambassador, which is to be held on Friday.

NEW YORK MAN MADE SECRET SERVICE HEAD, SUCCESSOR TO WILKIE.



WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—William J. Flynn of New York to-day was appointed Chief of the United States Secret Service by Secretary MacVeagh of the Treasury Department, succeeding John E. Wilkie, now Chief Supervising Agent of the customs service. He will assume his duties to-morrow. For many years Mr. Flynn has been in charge of the New York division of the Secret Service, and during the early days of Mayor Gaynor's administration was Deputy Police Commissioner of New York City.

TAXICAB TARIFF SOARED WHEN HE SAID "A WEDDING"

Regular Rate of \$1.30 for Trip Became \$4, Mr. Berlin Declares.

Because he wanted to use his taxicab to convey his guests to his daughter's wedding, instead of the ordinary joy-ride or business trip, the Madison Seaman Taxicab Company demanded a treble rate from him, says Samuel Berlin of No. 25 Brook avenue, Bronx.

Mr. Berlin, whose daughter, Florence, is to be married to-morrow evening to Mr. Irving Grant, went to-day to arrange for six taxicabs for the transportation of the wedding party from his home, near One Hundred and Port street, to the Star Casino, at One Hundred and Seventh street and Lexington avenue, where the ceremony is to take place.

At first, according to Mr. Berlin, he did not say for what purpose he desired to hire the six taxis, merely asking for the rate. This was figured out by the agent at the company's office in West Fifty-ninth street to be \$3.90 per cab per trip.

When notified that the vehicles were to be used for the transportation of a wedding party the agent changed his mind and declared, Mr. Berlin says, that he would be forced to pay \$4 per cab per trip. Nor could the customer get any better rate from the main office of the company.

After trying several other companies, with similar results, the father of the bride-to-be decided to "hire a hack" or get the wedding party to the scene in some conveyance the proprietor of which would not raise prices on him because of the nature of the ride.

FIREMEN GAIN POINTS FROM RAILROAD HEADS.

Concessions of Time Offered for Waiver of Demand for Two Men to Locomotive.

In their reply to the demands of their brethren, the Committee of General Managers of Eastern Railroads said to-day that if the firemen will waive their demand for two firemen on each locomotive, the railroads will make concessions regarding terminal delay and overtime, and in regard to time held at other than home terminals, the concessions to be made on the same basis as that laid down by the recent decision of the Engineers' Arbitration Board.

The managers also said that if the firemen were successful in getting the higher wages demanded it would increase the cost of maintaining the railroad \$15,134,000. The conference will be resumed to-morrow.

\$10,000 IN GEMS STOLEN AT HOME OF MILLIONAIRE

Burglars Escape by Rope Ladder After Robbing J. Macey Willet.

PASSED SIX SERVANTS.

Extra Police and Private Guard Placed Around Homes in Fifth Avenue Section.

A fifty-foot ladder made of cotton sashcord—the one connecting link between J. Macey Willet, millionaire real estate operator, and the Maxim-muffled burglars who carried off \$10,000 worth of jewelry from his residence, No. 20 West Fifty-second street, a week ago last night—is waiting claimants at the West Forty-seventh street police station. Active efforts are being made to find the owners, whose methods of retiring from the dozen scenes of similar depredations in the same exclusive neighborhood have won for them the sobriquet "rope-ladder robbers."

Through an advertisement printed to-day, in which Mr. Willet thought to expedite the police search by offering a "no questions asked" reward of \$500 for the return of the stolen property, the news of the robbery reached the public. Among the articles stolen were "two hairpins with three fine cut diamonds on each side" and various other things that will be exchanged at Yuletide by the wealthier "Spugs."

GOT INTO THE HOUSE THROUGH A SKYLIGHT.

Entrance to the house, which is a five-story English basement mansion of five doors from the Vanderbilt home, now occupied by H. C. Frick, was gained through a skylight. One pane was cut away. The hole was scarcely large enough to let through a man's body and the police are sure there must have been some hidden one burglar, for in no way could a rope have been secured without smashing other panes.

There were six servants asleep on the top floor of the house, but not one was awakened. Mr. Willet and members of his family demonstrated they were equally heavy sleepers. Through their rooms went the pussy-footed burglar, ransacking bureau drawers and taking every portable object of value and value. He got among other things a diamond, heart-shaped pin, set with twenty-six stones; a marquis ring with sapphire surrounded by diamonds; a sapphire ring, an oval ring, a bracelet with six diamonds, pearl earrings, onyx earrings and two hoop diamond earrings, to say nothing of the diamond-studded hairpins.

Loaded with all this loot the burglar went as quietly as he had come. To save unnecessary strain on the arms of his companion or companions on the roof, he set up the ladder which Mr. Willet's butler bought for those whose duty it is to adjust the skylight ventilator, and climbed it.

The police believe the rope-ladder burglars came over the roofs from some house near Sixth avenue, and that they had aroused some one and were afraid to return that way. They fastened their sashcord ladder to the Willet's chimney, at any rate, and slid down to an extension in the rear. Then they were forced to abandon the ladder which was so often, from its appearance, had added them in similar enterprises, as they dropped into the backyard and made off over fences.

AWOKE TO FIND HE HAD BEEN ROBBED.

Mr. Willet woke in the morning and rubbed his eyes in astonishment when he noticed that his usually careful valet apparently had left the bureau drawers open and articles scattered round the room. He called for an explanation and then the robbery was discovered. Other members of the household also found their rooms in confusion.

The police were notified and the first corps of detectives who came to look over the premises were sure it was an "inside job"—or that the marauder, if a complice in the house. One by one the servants were questioned, but guilt showed in the countenances of none. It was understood that Mr. Willet was rather indignant when the police took this view of the robbery.

On many occasions the police have been able to trace burglars as far as the roofs of the houses entered and then suddenly have found themselves unable to even theorize as to their subsequent movements. They believe the rope ladder accounts for some of these mysteries at least.

ALDERMEN IN ROW OVER THE PICTURE SHOW ORDINANCE

Long and Acrimonious Debate Over Dowling Amendment Providing for Censorship.

WANTS PUBLIC HEARING.

White Seems to Fear the Secret Influence of Mysterious Chicagoan.

The Board of Aldermen was in heated debate until late to-day over the ordinance regulating moving picture theatres introduced by Alderman Folks and advocated by The Evening World. Trouble started early in the afternoon when Alderman Frank L. Downing offered an amendment providing for a censorship of films under the direction of the Board of Education.

Alderman Edsbrook contended that the amendment would cause the Mayor to veto the whole ordinance and so spoil the intended cleaning up of the moving picture situation.

ORDINANCE REPORTED BACK BY THE COMMITTEE.

The measure first came up on the report of the committee which has had the ordinance under consideration, with the announcement that an enacting clause had been added. The absence of the clause had buried the proposed law in the committee for several months.

Mr. Folks moved that the ordinance be made a special order for this afternoon. Alderman Downing objected to this, insisting the report of the committee, recommending the ordinance for passage, take its regular order, which would mean postponement of action on it until next Tuesday.

Alderman Folks moved a postponement of the ordinance until Jan. 7. Alderman Downing objected. Alderman Folks said the board should elect a successor to Alderman Hagenmuller before such an important matter as the moving picture ordinance should be gone into.

Alderman Folks moved the board go into an immediate election.

ALDERMEN GET INTO A PARLIAMENTARY WRANGLE.

A parliamentary wrangle ensued, and President Mitchell ruled the Aldermen should vote on the question of postponement.

Before the announcement of the vote an acrimonious debate broke out over the right of the borough presidents to vote. Vice-President Kline, who was in the chair, ruled they should vote.

Alderman Walsh appealed from the decision of the chair.

Alderman Folks contended it was a loss of time for the board to take up the "movie" ordinance because of the division in the chamber.

Alderman Downing insisted the real question was a successor to Hagenmuller, and on this the Borough Presidents had no vote.

Alderman Walsh renewed his appeal from the decision of the chair. By a vote of 29 to 33, the decision of the chair was sustained. The secretary then called the roll of the borough presidents on the motion to postpone.

DOWLING OFFERS AMENDMENT PROVIDING FOR CENSORSHIP.

Alderman Downing offered an amendment to the ordinance providing for censorship of films.

Alderman Folks protested against a discussion of the amendment—that the whole matter had been disposed of.

Downing declared he was for the Folks ordinance, but he wanted censorship included.

"We have got to do something with these films," said Alderman Downing. "The film proposition is a problem affecting the very morals of our boys and girls. We want a public hearing on the subject of the censorship. This has been denied us. We demand a hearing."

Alderman Morrison added his word

MRS. A. G. VANDERBILT, SAILING FOR ENGLAND WITH CHRISTMAS TREE.



that a public hearing had not been granted on his proposed amendment to the Folks ordinance. Alderman Morrison's amendment provides for censorship by officials of the Board of Education. Alderman Folks said the amendment of Alderman Downing was nothing more than the Morrison ordinance. He suggested and asked the one they wanted, Morrison and Downing objected.

Alderman Edsbrook spoke for the Folks ordinance and for the amendment. He said he favored censorship, but he feared the ordinance as amended would be vetoed.

Alderman "Johnny" White charged violation of a gentleman's agreement that the Folks ordinance would not be reported out of committee until there should be another public hearing.

WHITE ACCUSES A CHICAGO FILM FIRM.

Alderman White charged that a Chicago concern—he would give no names—engaged in making moving pictures with being responsible for the present agitation in favor of the proposed laws governing the "movies."

"An appeal was made to the Mayor," he said, "for a committee to investigate conditions, and the Mayor named three persons on the committee who were colleagues of the Chicago concern who brought this whole matter up. I won't say the Mayor did this on purpose—I think he was deceived."

Alderman White made a charge of the mysterious man from Chicago—supposedly representing the trust.

"The big manufacturers," he said, "wanted bigger theatres for their films, and they wanted them at the expense of your building code."

Alderman White said \$150,000,000 was invested in New York in the theatre industry.

Are you going to pull down this industry by doing what these film trust people want?" he asked.

"Every moving picture concern has been bought out in New York except William Fox, my partner," he asserted. "He refused \$50,000 from these people."

Alderman Folks denied the agreement with Alderman White was with regard to the Folks moving picture ordinance. He said it referred only to the censorship amendment.

He protested against censorship. He insisted it was unnecessary as municipal work. He said it should be governed by a State law or national law. He pleaded for an ordinance affecting structural conditions only. He denied the ordinance would hurt the present theatrical industry.

COMMISSION ASKS RIGHT TO REGULATE CITY 'PHONES.

The activity of the telephone monopoly in thwarting legislation giving the Public Service Commission of this district supervision and control over telephone and telegraph wires in this city prompted the Commission to-day to vote unanimously to appeal to the next Legislature to amend the present law to give that power to the local Commission.

A determined campaign will be made to force the amendment through the Legislature and to develop a means of preventing successful lobbying against the proposed amendment by the companies. There are more than seven hundred thousand telephones in use in Manhattan and New York, and the number is on the increase without any decrease in rates attending. The wires are at present without adequate official supervision.

The up-State commission at present has supervisory control.

MORE POLICE NAMED BY WOMAN WHO TELLS NEW STORY OF GRAFT

Mysterious Witness Before "White Slave" Grand Jury Gives Whittman Startling Details of Officials' Connection With Vice Trust.

EVERY SUSPECT IS TRAILED IN SEARCH FOR EVIDENCE

Alleged Collector Wolf Questioned at Headquarters—Accused Policeman to Be Tried Friday.

"I have names, dates and specific instances of the payment by disorderly houses and receipts by policemen and detectives of protection money," said District Attorney Whittman to-day. "I have put a detective on the trail of every man mentioned to round up corroborative evidence."

The District Attorney told an Evening World reporter that he personally had interviewed many women of Mary Goodie's profession, and that every one of them had freely furnished him with evidence enough to start on the trail of the "middlemen" and ultimate receivers of this blackmail. Every disorderly-house keeper had told him, Mr. Whittman said, that she "had always paid and always expected to pay protection money."

MRS. VANDERBILT SAILS WITH XMAS TREE FOR KIDNIE

She and Mr. Vanderbilt Play Santa Claus to Three-Months-Old Heir.

The Mauretania of the Cunard Line sailed to-day on the annual Christmas trip of the line, designed to get passengers and express matter to England and the Continent in time for Christmas celebrations.

Prominent among the passengers were Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt, having in their baggage a Christmas tree for their three-months-old baby, who is at Caesar's Camp, Wimbledon, in Surrey.

The tree was picked out by Mr. Vanderbilt himself in the forest about his Adirondack lodge, Sagamore. There are plenty of pines and spruces in Great Britain, but the Vanderbilts decided Christmas would be infinitely more pleasing to their youngster if it came from the real home.

EIGHT KILLED IN CRASH OF TRAIN AND TROLLEY.

Victims Burned in Wreckage of Cars at Ashtabula, O.—Seven Were Women.

ASHTABULA, O., Dec. 17.—Eight dead and seven injured was the toll of the wreck here last night when a Lake Shore and Michigan Southern coal train struck a street car. Complete investigation of the huge pile of wreckage and coal that resulted from the collision to-day revealed two additional bodies, those of David Stowe and Mrs. Rose Thompson. The dead are Laura Leaphart, Mrs. Frank C. Bartlett, Mrs. L. H. Cook, Mrs. George Kitson, Mr. and Mrs. David Stowe of Ashtabula, Mrs. John C. Epy of Willoughby and Mrs. Rose Thompson. All of the injured are expected to recover.

Immediate investigation of the cause of the wreck will be made. Motorman McCutcheon is held by the police.

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"Until I can get from-bound corroborative evidence," the District Attorney continued, "I will not lay any of the evidence in my possession before the Grand Jury. One woman cannot corroborate another; we must have our hands on the receiver or the transfer of the protection money to guarantee the securing of indictments and convictions on the same."

"I believe that I will be able shortly to link up some of these loose ends and place before the Grand Jury complete evidence of the widespread trafficking by members of the Police Department upon fallen women."

NEW WOMAN WITNESS TELLS STARTLING GRAFT STORY.

The District Attorney's office has succeeded in securing a witness who has made startling disclosures involving certain police officials in the activities of the "vice trust," according to a member of Mr. Whittman's staff. She is a woman who was twenty-five years in a story the indications her one-time intimate knowledge of Police Department affairs which on more than one occasion enabled her to tell a police captain when trouble was brewing for him.

She has given a long list of police officials to whom she says she paid protection, and has added to this, it was said to-day, corroborative material which will clinch her statements before a Grand Jury.

According to her story there have been several instances of women being beaten to death by cads in "protected" houses, and police investigation being halted by the recipients of the blackmail.

WALDO'S ACTIVITY REACHES INTO NEW DISTRICTS.

Uniformed members of the police force all over the Greater City are in an agony of doubt to-day over speculation as to just how much information Commissioner Waldo has of the complicity of policemen and men of higher grade with the "vice trust," and into how many more districts than those comprised in the two Tenderloins the investigation will be pushed.

The suspension of two policemen and the ordering of one more to trial yesterday are thought to be only a preliminary to more moves of a similar nature on the part of Waldo. Besides activity from within, the Department has to speculate on what will drop before the Alderman Committee.

Commissioner Waldo announced to-day that three suspended policemen and Skelly, who is also under charges but who has not been suspended from the Department, would appear for trial before Deputy Commissioner Walsh at Police Headquarters on Friday. This